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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith

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German Search Report dated May 14, 2004 established in 102 59 288.8 which corresponds to international patent application No. PCT/EP03/14334, of which this application is the national stage.

## CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY (NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS ONLY)

The document identified on the appended PTO-1449 form is mentioned on the appended German Search Report established in 102 59 288.8, which corresponds to PCT/EP03/14334, of which this application is the U.S. national stage.

The relevancy of the document mentioned is apparent from the German Search Report document.

US2002/0043560A1 and US 5,922,959, also mentioned in the German Search Report, were submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement on June 20, 2005.

#### STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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